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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 158

By Henry

A RESOLUTION To honor and commend Mrs. Mary Jane Rose
for laudable service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, One such noteworthy person is a native Nashvillian and the former First Lady of Morristown, Mrs. Mary Jane Rose; and

WHEREAS, In July of last year, Mary Jane Rose was elected President of the National Society of Professional Engineers Auxiliaries Board in Norfolk, Virginia; representing membership in every state of the Union, the NSPE Auxiliaries Board has, for the past fifty years, reflected a positive image of engineers and their careers by supporting scholarships that promote the engineering profession; and

WHEREAS, Mary Jane astutely served as Chair of the Auxiliaries Legislative Awareness Committee from 1996-2000; during that time, she was appointed by the NSPE President to serve on the Legislative and Governmental Affairs Committee and the PAC Board of Trustees.

In 1995, she served her State as President of the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers Auxiliary in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her work with the National Society of Professional Engineers Auxiliaries Board, Mrs. Rose still found time in 1997 to lend her remarkable talents to such notable causes as serving on the Board of Directors of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Middle Tennessee and the Middle Tennessee United Way Community Solutions Council; from 1980-85, she served on the National Board of Girls Clubs of America as Chair of the Southern Region; and

WHEREAS, Always active in the community, Mrs. Rose was selected as the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority's 1979 "First Lady of Morristown" for her many contributions to the area and her civic participation with the American Red Cross, the PTA Council, the United Way, the Girls Club, and other local and state organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mary Jane Rose epitomizes the spirit and commitment that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, From 1973-75, Mrs. Rose served as the Chairperson of the American Red Cross Volunteers at Metro General Hospital, and in recognition of her vast and astute service with the American Red Cross, the Nashville Chapter presented Mary Jane Rose with the Clara Barton Award; and

WHEREAS, Mary Jane Rose is most grateful for the love and companionship she shares with her husband, Garland Rose, P.E. and Senior Vice-President, Barge, Waggoner, Sumner and Cannon; they are the proud parents of daughters, Cyndi and Janie, and the loving grandparents of one grandchild; and

WHEREAS, This General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mrs. Rose for her dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Mrs. Mary Jane Rose for her meritorious service to the State of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.